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Title: NEW USE OF GLUTAMATE ANTAGONISTS FOR THE TREATMENT OF

CANCER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1. (Amended) A method of treating cancer comprising administering an inhibitor of the interaction of glutamate with the AMPA receptor complex.
- 2. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the type of cancer includes all kinds of cancer.
- 3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1 wherein the inhibitor is an antagonist of the binding of glutamate to the AMPA receptor.
- 4. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the inhibitor is an L-glutamate derivative, an α-amino-3-hydroxy-5-methyl-4-isoxazolepropionate derivative, acid amide derivatives, amino alkanoic acid, amino-phenyl-acetic acid, amino- or desamino- 2,3-benzodiazepine, 2,3-benzodiazepin-4-one, alkoxy-phenyl-benzodiazepine, acetyl-aminophenyl-